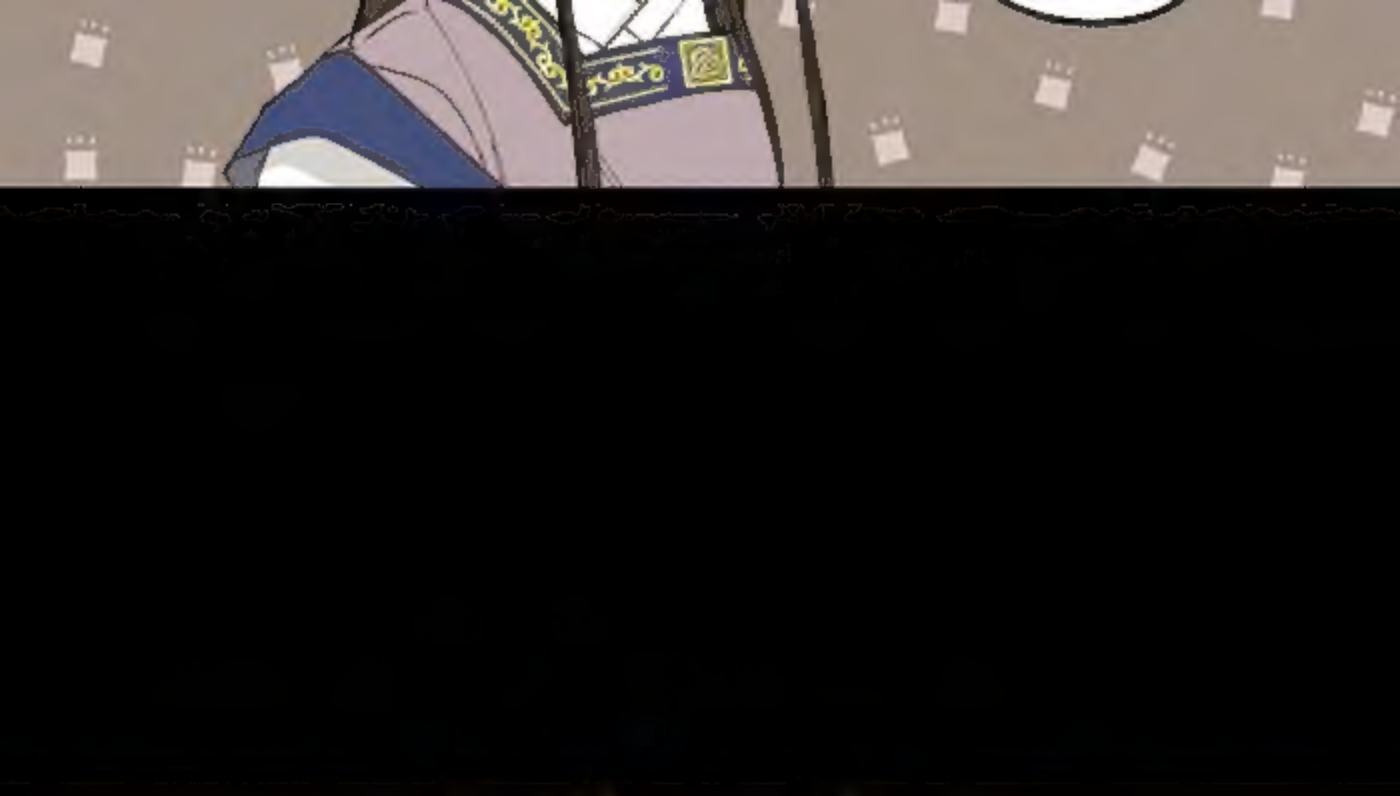
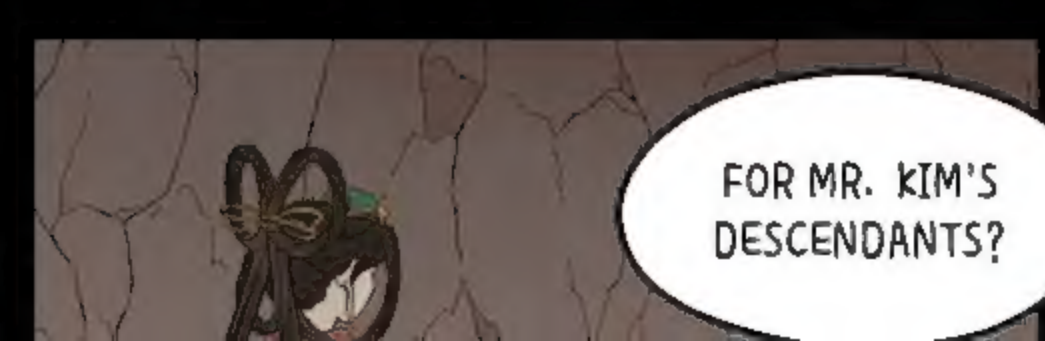
I HEARD...
...EVERYONE'S ALREADY GONE TO TRACK DOWN THE DESCENDANTS OF THE HUMANS THAT MADE THEM FAIL.
...
HUH?



DON'T YOU THINK...
...YOU SHOULD START LOOKING TOO?


FOR MR. KIM'S DESCENDANTS?

I DON'T KNOW...
HE PASSED AWAY AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE, I DON'T KNOW IF HE'LL HAVE ANY...
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, MR. KIM ONLY EVER TALKED ABOUT HIS CHILDHOOD.
I'VE HEARD STORIES ABOUT HIS PARENTS AND TEACHERS...

...BUT NEVER ANY ABOUT A WIFE OR CHILDREN.

...
HE DOES.

HUH?
MR. KIM DOES HAVE DESCENDANTS.

I'VE DRAWN OUT A MAP, SO GO FIND THEML

...

I...

DON'T BE SO WEAK!
BE STRONG!
WHY ARE YOU CRYING AGAIN?
S-SORRY...

KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED!
MAKE SURE YOUR SCALES ARE ON EDGE!
PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER!
O-OKAY...

IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE YOU'VE BEEN IN THE HUMAN REALM, SO BE CAREFUL.

DON'T DO ANYTHING TO MAKE YOURSELF STAND OUT. HUMANS HAVE ONLY GOTTEN MORE EVIL.
...
DO WELL.

...
I WILL!

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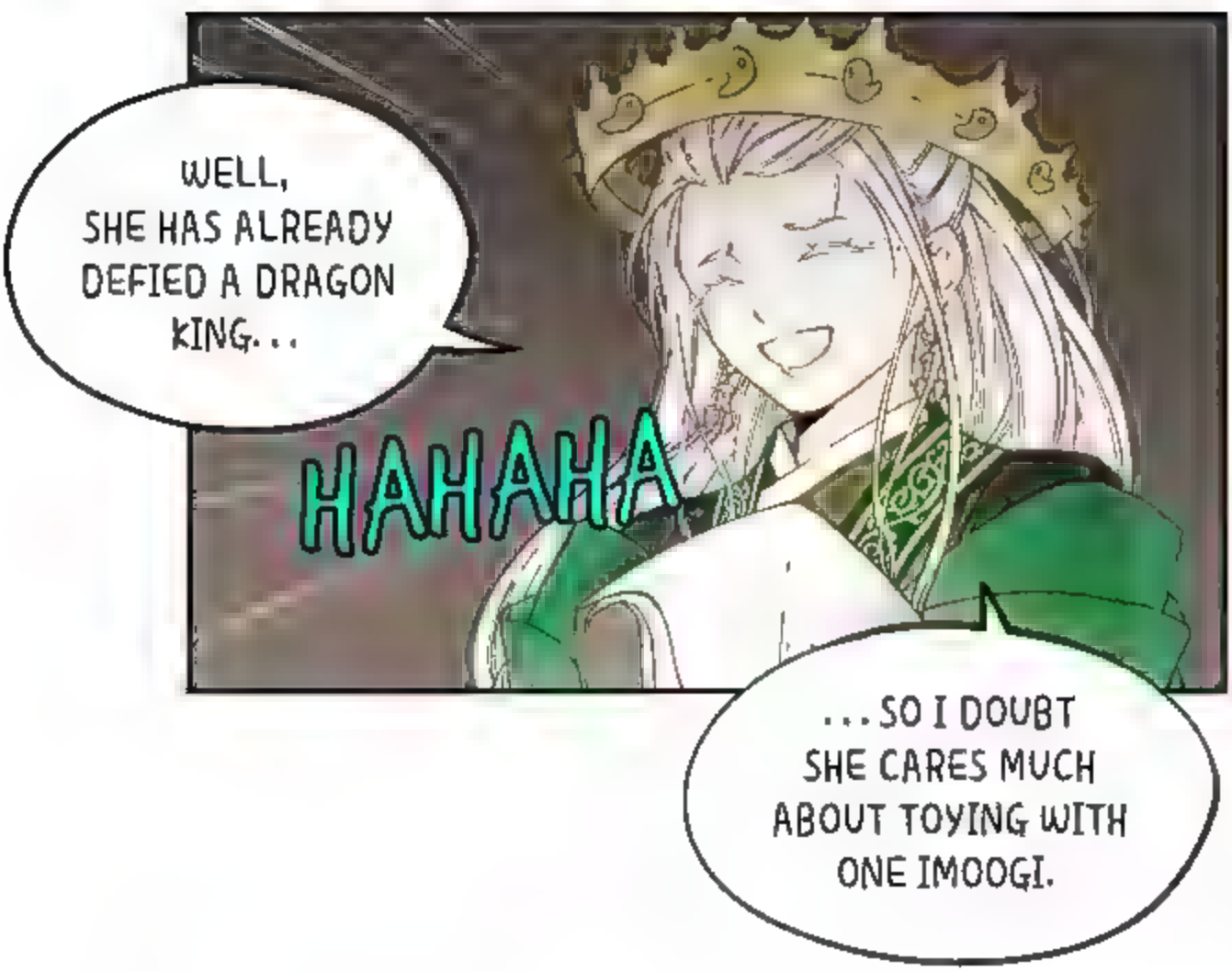
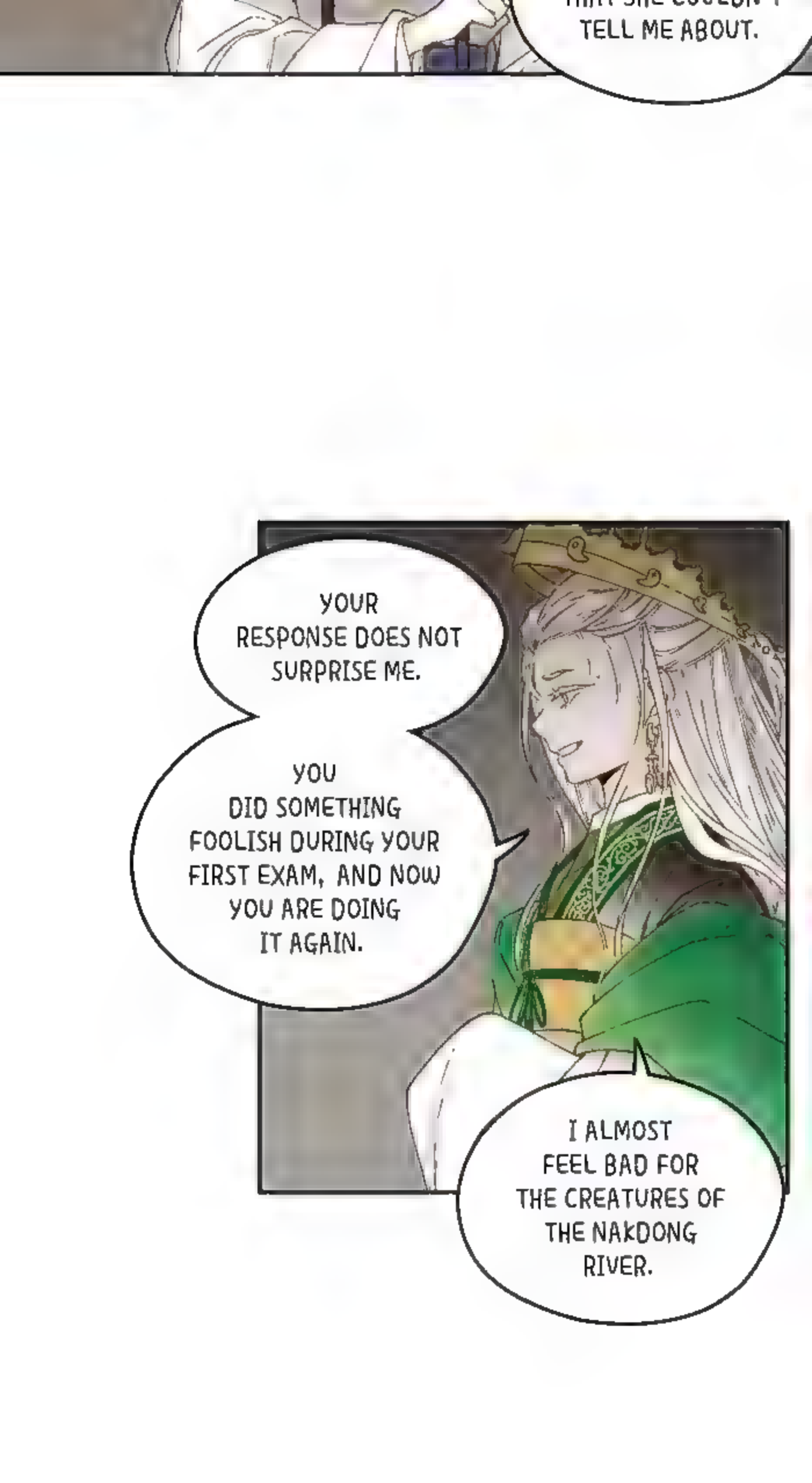
...
DAMSEOL...

WAIT, SO DAMSEOL LIED TO YOU?
...


WELL, SHE HAS ALREADY DEFIED A DRAGON KING...
HAHAHA
...SO I DOUBT SHE CARES MUCH ABOUT TOYING WITH ONE IMOOGI.

A WICKED LITTLE CREATURE.
CLENCH
TO THINK THAT SOMEONE LIKE HER IS THE RULER OF SUCH A LARGE RIVER...
DAMSEOL...
...WOULDN'T DO THAT.
I'M SURE SHE HAD REASONS


TELL ME ABOUT.
YOUR RESPONSE DOES NOT SURPRISE ME.
YOU DID SOMETHING FOOLISH DURING YOUR FIRST EXAM, AND NOW YOU ARE DOING IT AGAIN.
I ALMOST FEEL BAD FOR THE CREATURES OF THE NAKDONG RIVER.

I CAN ALREADY SEE WHAT WILL HAPPEN.
AFTER THE EXAM IS OVER, YOU WILL RUN STRAIGHT TO THE HAN RIVER...
...AND NO MATTER WHAT KIND OF EXCUSE DAMSEOL MAKES, YOU WILL BELIEVE IT ALL. WHAT A FOOLISH--
NO.
I DON'T WANT TO HEAR IT FROM DAMSEOL...

...I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR IT DIRECTLY FROM THE PERSON INVOLVED.

I MEAN...
...MR. KIM.

HOW DO YOU INTEND TO WAKE UP SOMEONE WHO HAS NOT EVEN BLINKED IN 200 YEARS?
HE HAS NOT EVEN MOVED IN FRONT OF HIS OWN BLOOD, EVEN IF YOUNG IS NOT HIS DIRECT DESCENDANT.
HE MAY BE ABLE TO IGNORE A HUMAN WHOSE BLOOD SMELLS THE SAME AS HIS...
RUMMAGE

...BUT HE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO IGNORE THIS TOO.

THAT'S...
THIS WAS FROM A TASK GIVEN TO ME...
...BY THE SOUTHERN DRAGON KING.

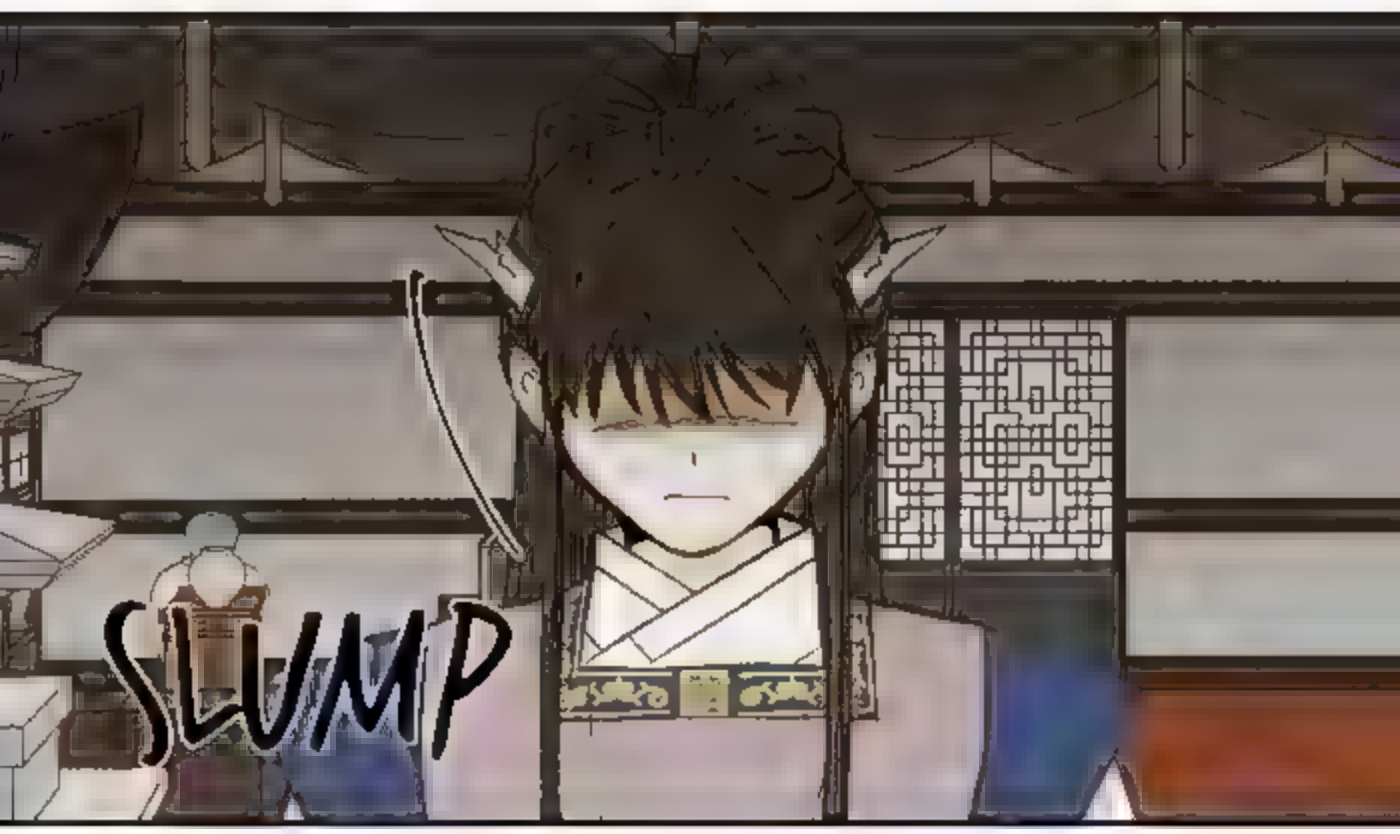
IT IS DAMSEOL'S...

...BLOOD.

THINGS ARE GETTING INTERESTING.
VERY WELL! TRY AS YOU MIGHT!

STEP
STEP

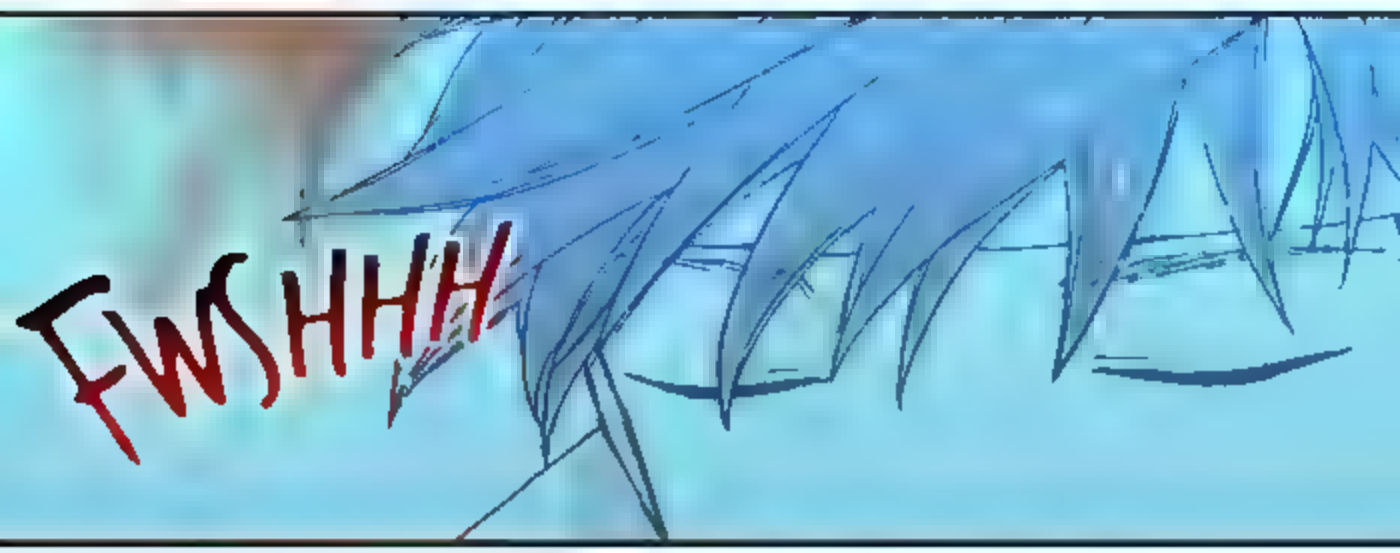
BUBBLE


SLUMP

FWSHHH

FWSHHHH

PLOP
PLOP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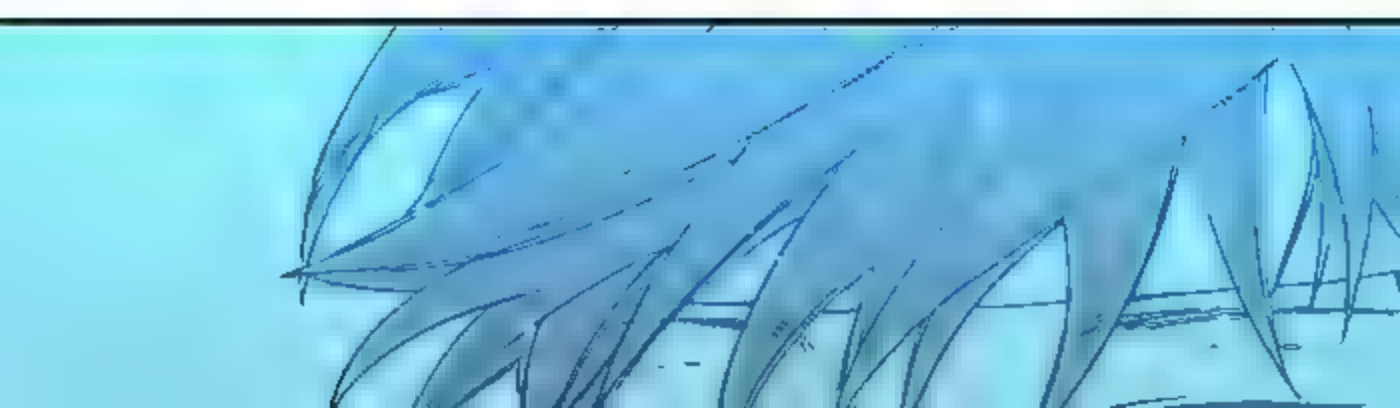


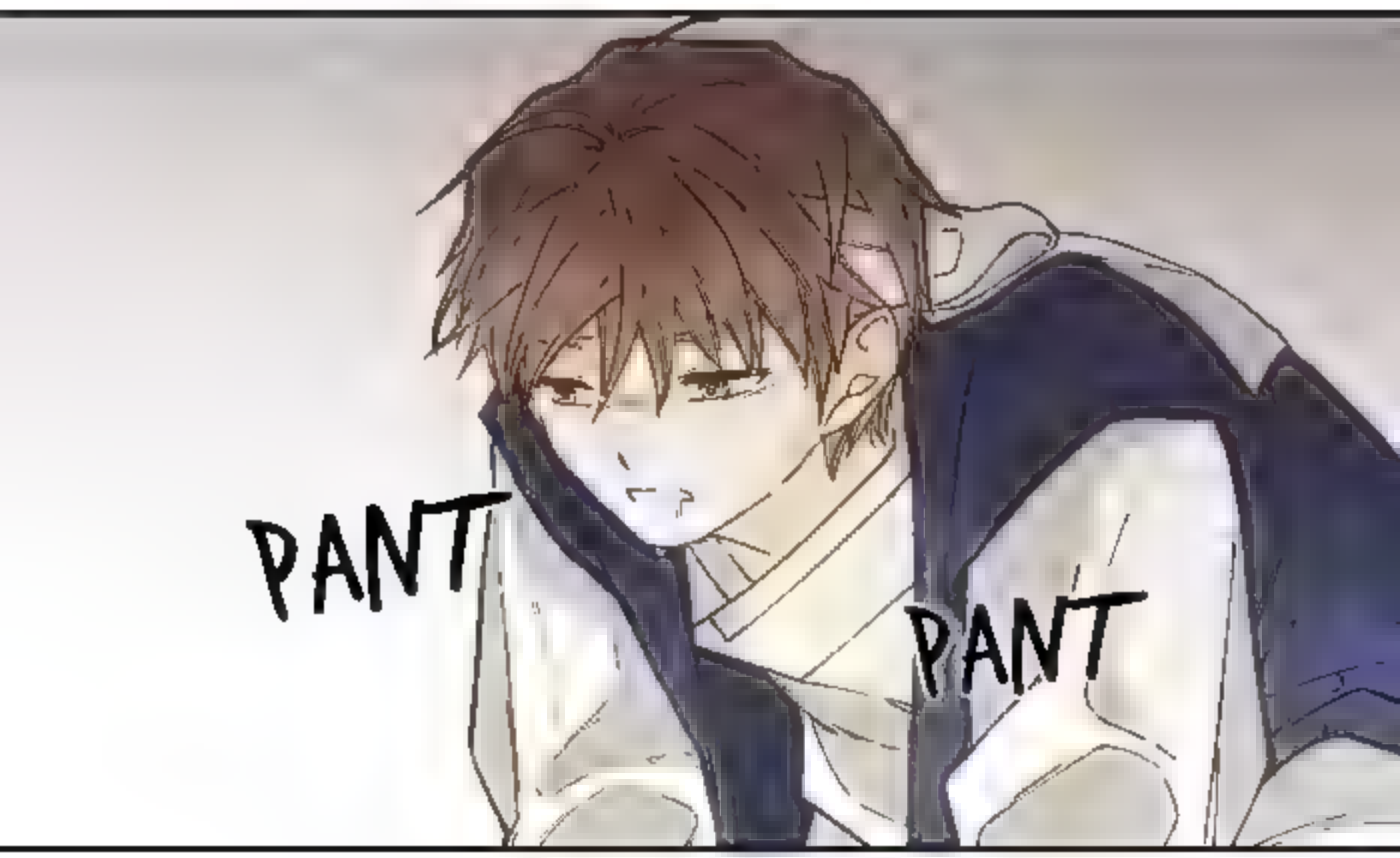
FWSHHH

...
MR. KIM...

WAVE

SHATTER

COUGH...
COUGH...
GASP...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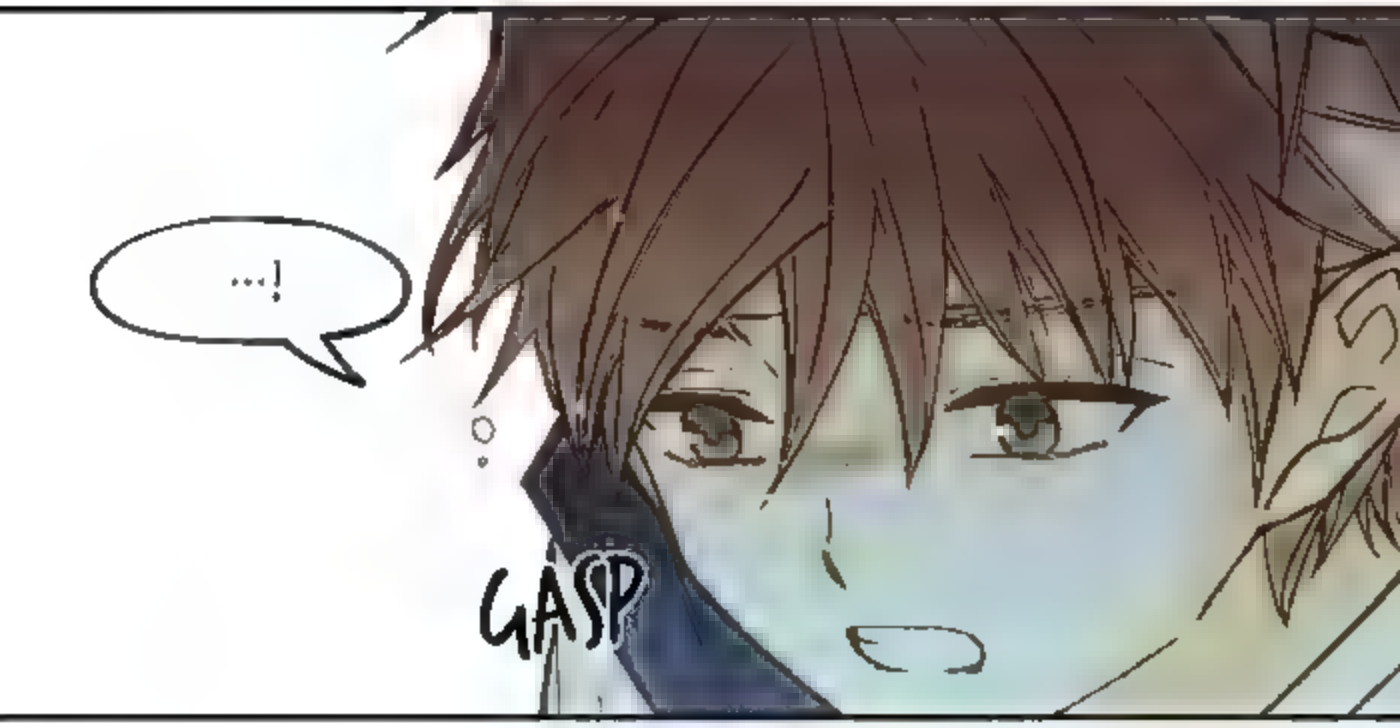
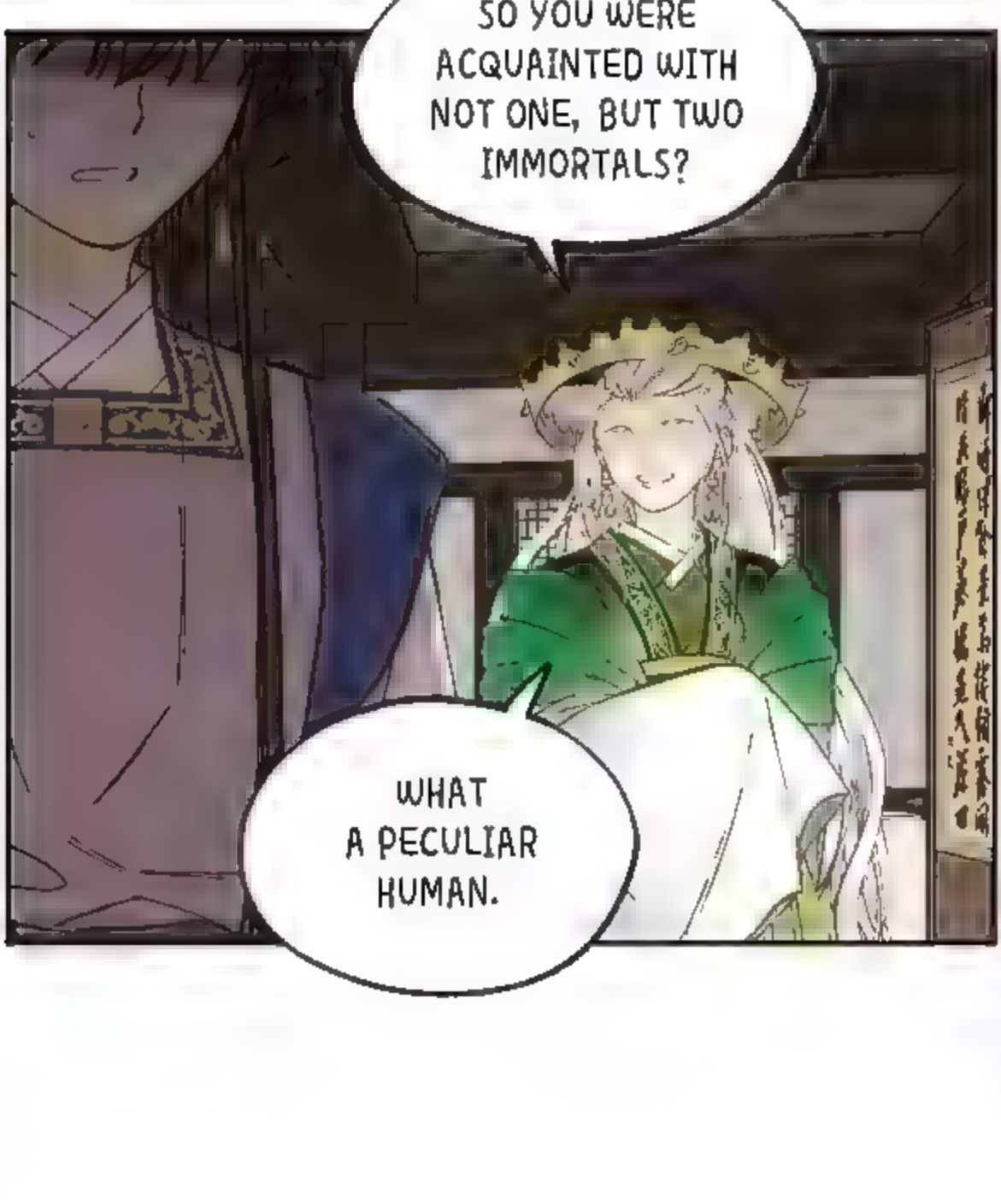
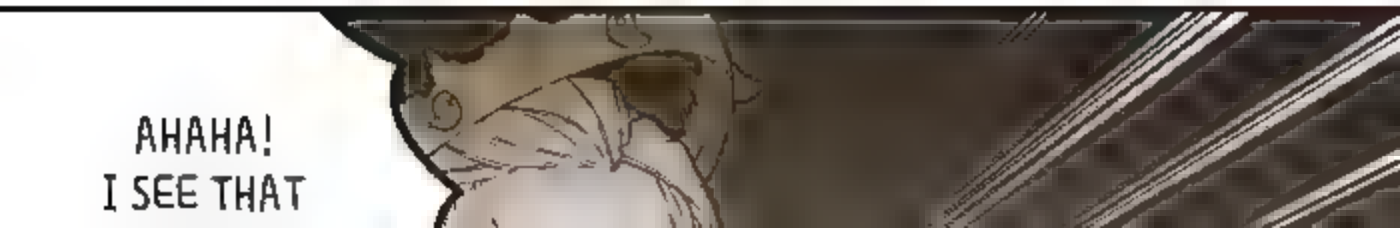

...!
GASP

...
BARI...?


SO YOU WERE ACQUAINTED WITH NOT ONE, BUT TWO IMMORTALS?
WHAT A PECULIAR HUMAN.

THAT'S THE ONE WHO CAUSED BARI TO FAIL!
AND HE DID IT ON PURPOSE, TOO...
THAT BASTARD


AHAHA!
I SEE THAT

YOU'RE QUITE THE CHARACTER.

YOU'RE CARRYING THIS KIND OF KARMIC DEBT?

IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE I'VE LAUGHED LIKE THIS.

HAHA

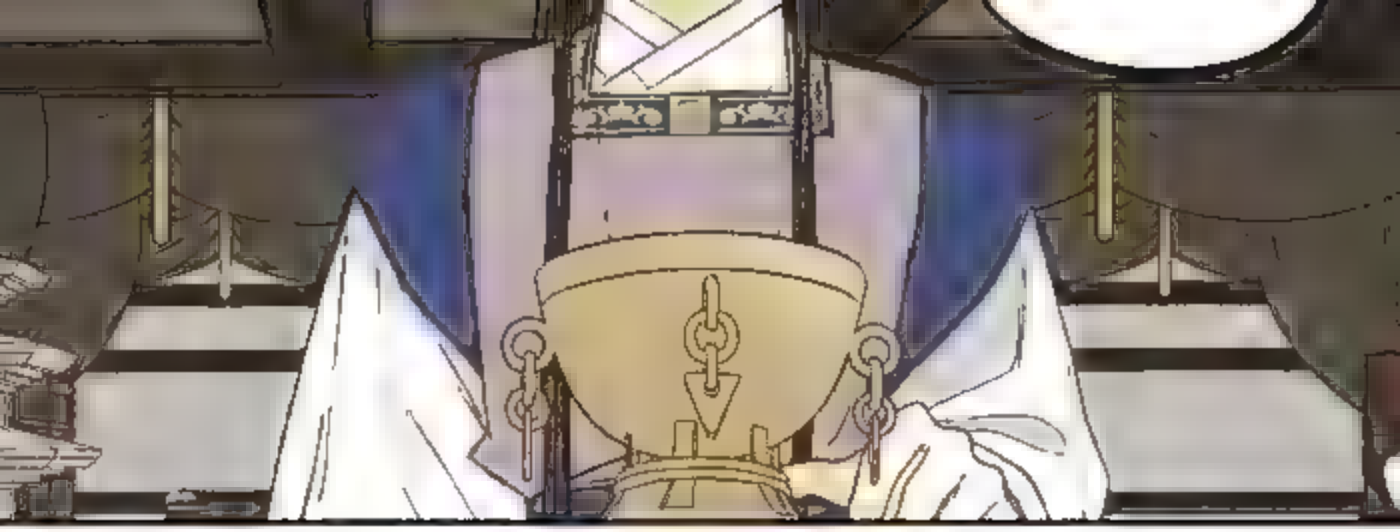
VERY WELL, I'M IN A GOOD MOOD. I SHALL MAKE THE TEST A LITTLE EASIER

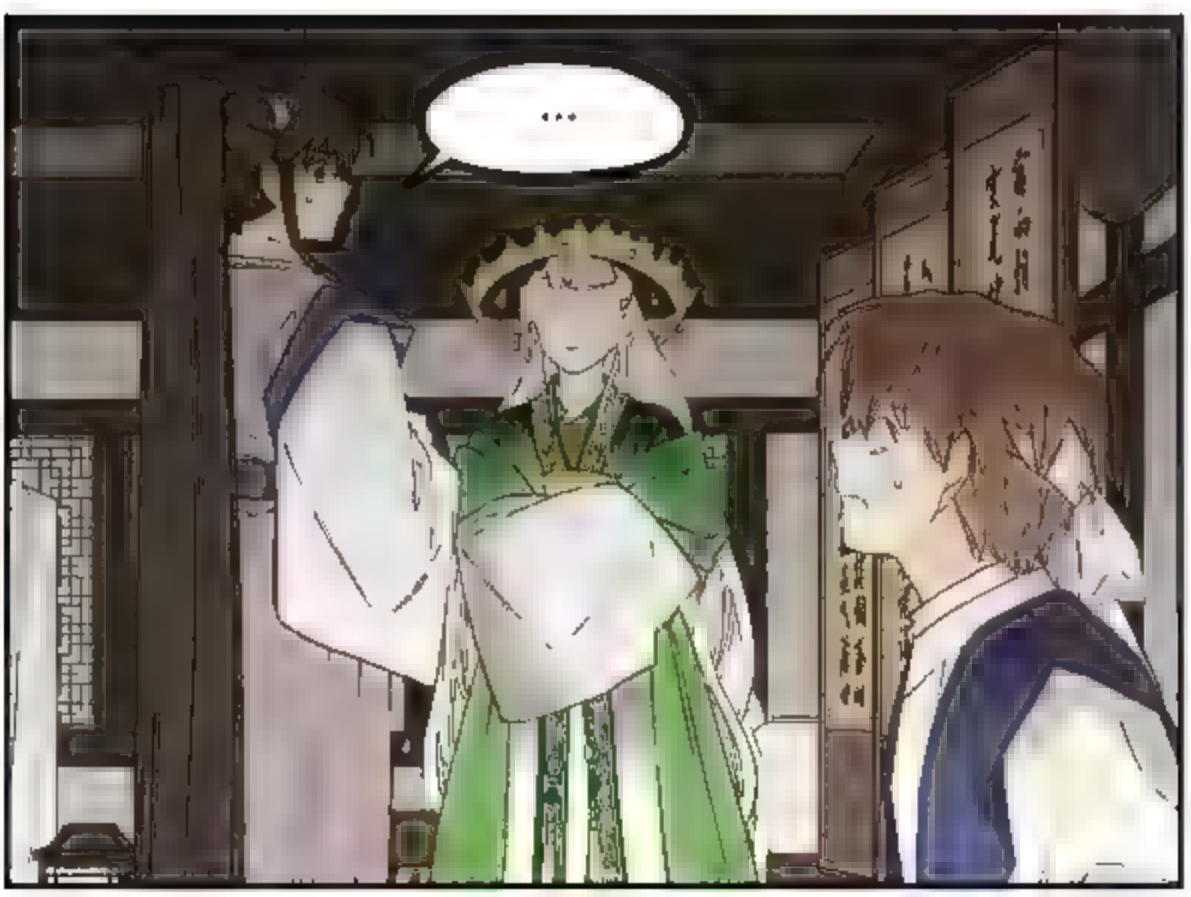
FOR YOU.

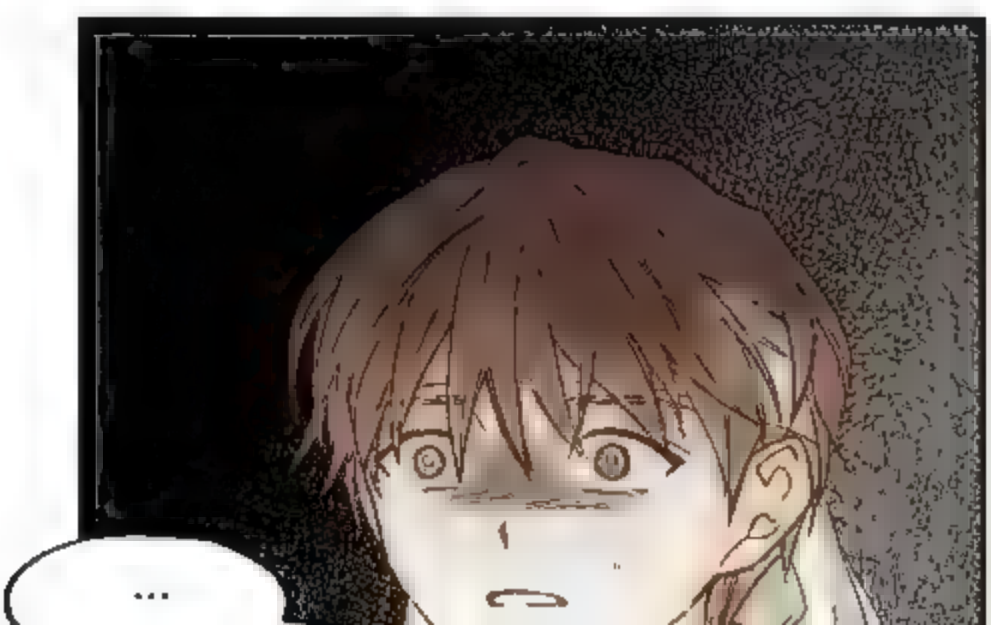
I WILL INCLUDE THIS HUMAN...
...AS A CANDIDATE TO DRINK THE POISON FOR YOU.

YOU BECAME AN IMOOGI BECAUSE OF HIM.

WHAT A STORY IT WOULD MAKE IF YOU KILLED HIM AND BECAME A DRAGON!





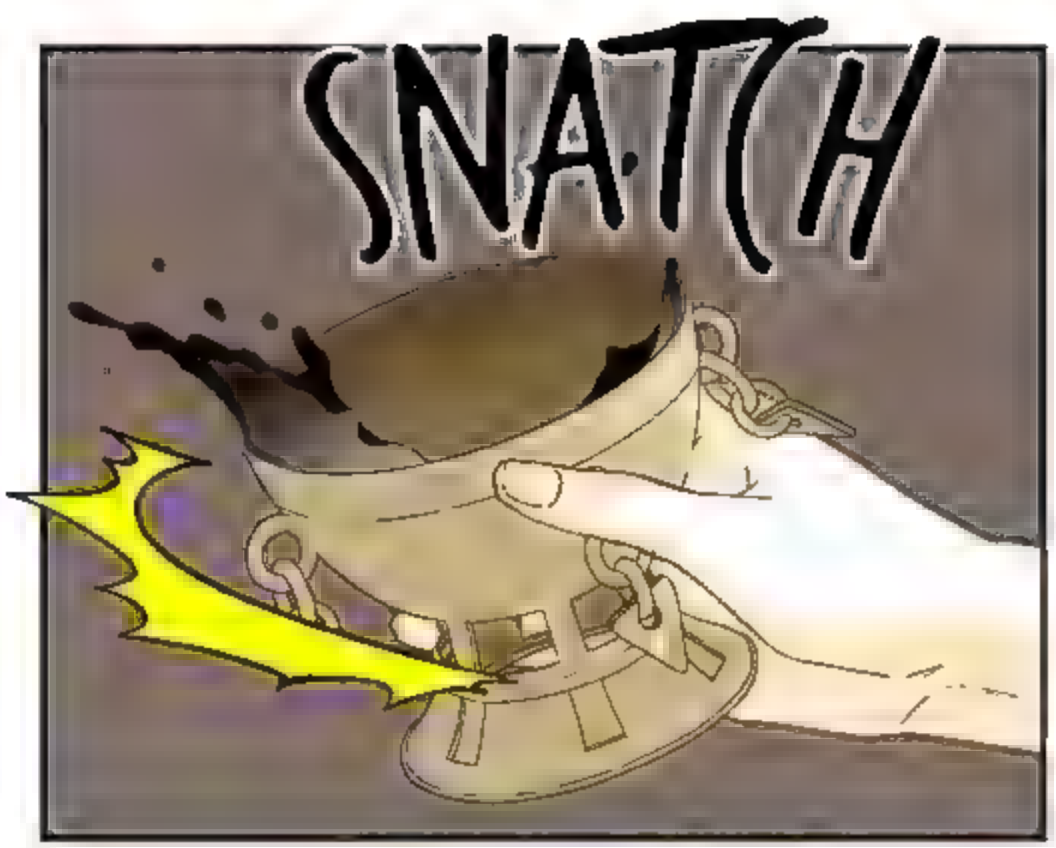


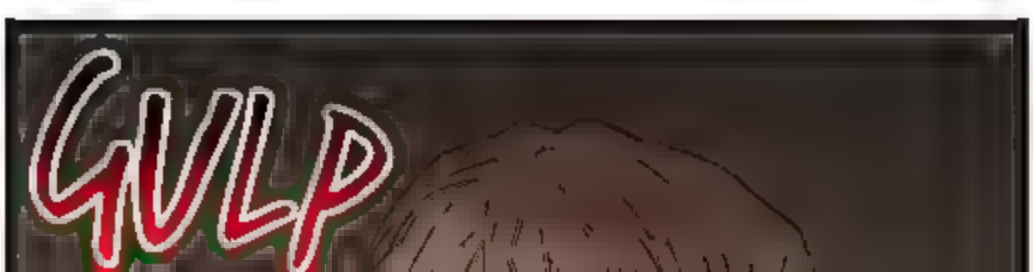
WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR, BARI?
GIVE HIM THE GLASS!

WHY THE WAIT? HAS THE CHOICE NOT BEEN LAID OUT FOR YOU ALREADY?
I MAY HAVE HELD ONTO HIM BECAUSE HE COULD BE OF USE TO ME...
...BUT I CANNOT MOVE HIM INTO SEAWATER WHEN HE LIVES IN FRESH WATER. DO WITH HIM AS YOU WISH.

...
CLENCH

LUNGE


SNATCH


GULP

NO...!

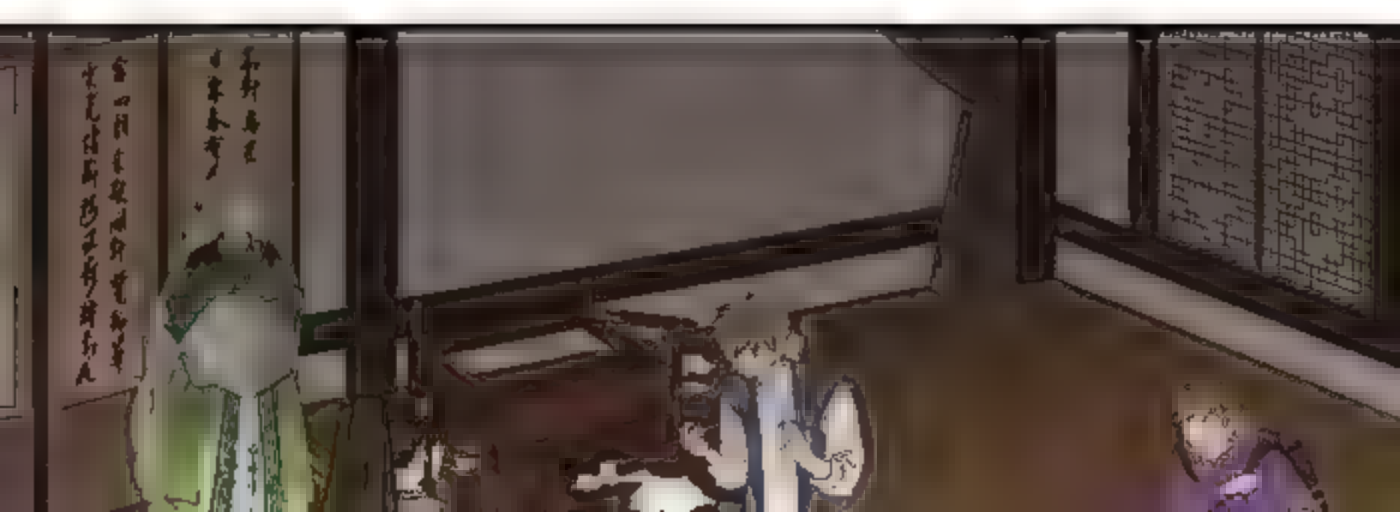
BOOM

CRASH

AAH...

CRASH
W-WHAT'S GOING ON?

SHATTER



SWISH!!!

THE WESTERN DRAGON KING'S CUP...
...BROKE...?
...

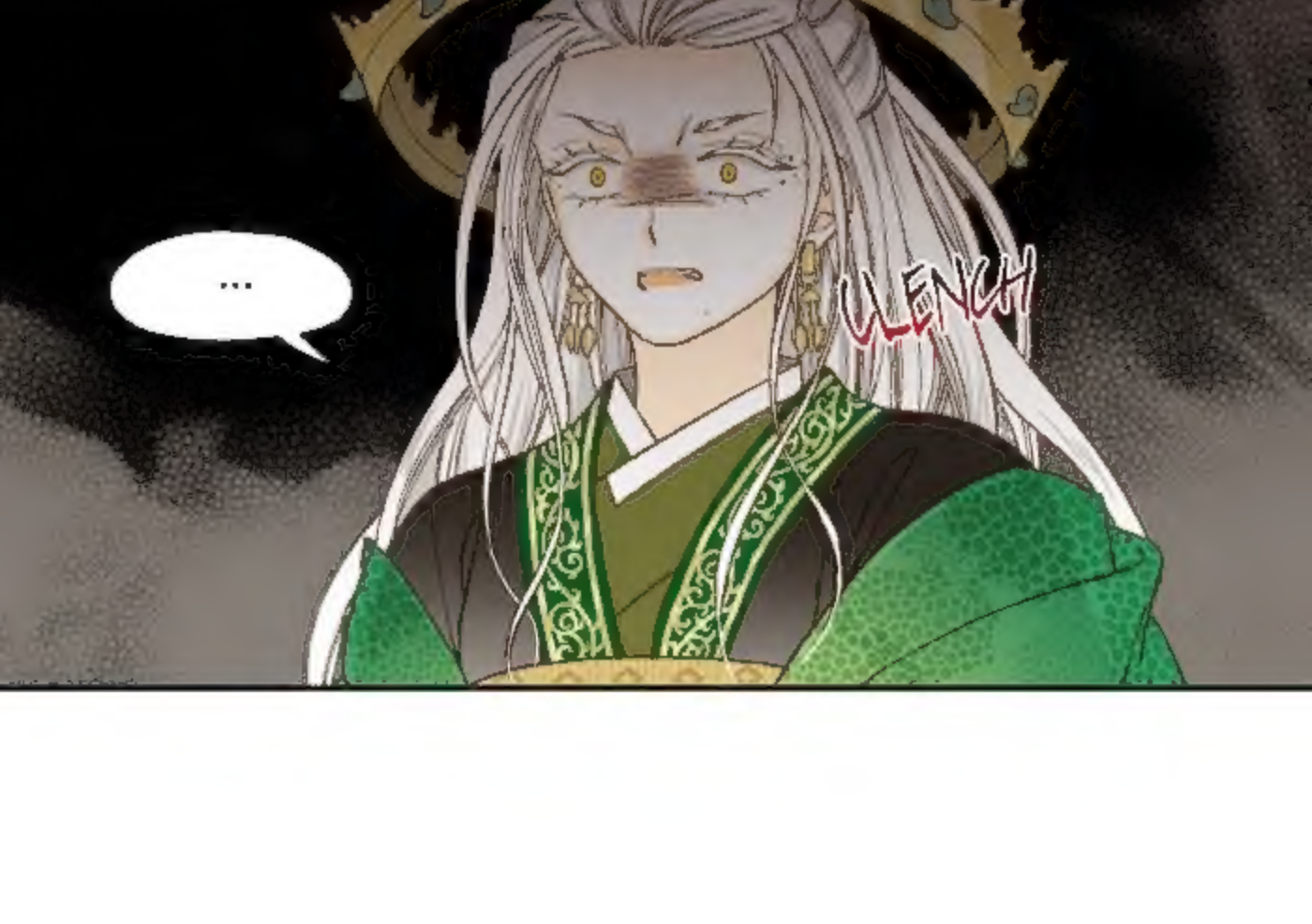
THAT WAS...
THAT LIGHTNING WAS...

IT HAS BEEN QUITE

A WHILE...

STEP

...SINCE I HAVE SET FOOT INTO THE SEA.



IT HAS ALSO BEEN A WHILE...
..SINCE I HAVE SEEN MY SISTER.

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